

TRADE IS WAITING

The Wilson Tariff Bill Has Caused a Hesitancy.

CHECKING BUSINESS REVIVAL

Don & Co.'s Report Shows Money Plenty. But the State of Trade is at a Stand Still.

New York, Dec. 1.—R. G. Dun & Co.'s review of trade tomorrow will say: It cannot be said that business during the past week has grown better or worse. For some days the gain in demand and in transactions, which had been previously noticed, evidently continued. But afterward, tariff uncertainty was thought to affect some branches of business, and whatever the cause, the state of trade was less clear. Money was everywhere abundant with rates comparatively lower and commercial demand was remarkably small, while the demand for speculative uses appeared to be increasing. When these are symptoms of a transition state, based upon the course of business down to a few days ago are not as valuable as usual, but on the whole signs are, however, less encouraging than they were a week ago.

Trade is Hesitating. Reports of different branches of trade and from different cities frequently the tariff uncertainty as a cause of natural hesitancy, but it will take some time to determine whether the general tendency toward improvement had been checked, or to what extent. The volume of trade has been somewhat increasing, and yet not as much as was expected, the exchanges for last week showing a decrease of 35.5 per cent compared with last year, in part because the week covers only five business days against six last year. For two weeks, covering the same working days, the decrease has been 23.3 per cent. The railroad earnings for the last week of November show a larger decrease than for either of the preceding weeks, but in freight traffic alone the business was about the same as for the first half of the month. In general, the statement shows a slight increase in eastern traffic. But these reports cover a period ending more than a week ago, and cast only an uncertain light on the present situation. Failures during the past week numbered 478, against 236 for the same week last year, and in Canada forty-eight, against thirty-three last year.

BANK CLEARINGS FALL OFF.

Only Five Out of Seventy-nine Cities Show Increase.

New York, Dec. 1.—Bank clearings total at seventy-nine cities for the week ending November 29, 1903, with comparison as telegraphed to Bradstreet's are as follows:

	Inc.	Dec.
New York	\$430,550,023	403
Chicago	70,144,967	401
Boston	66,871,507	371
Philadelphia	58,224,028	301
St. Louis	37,122,770	243
San Francisco	12,754,722	359
Baltimore	10,574,518	319
Pittsburgh	9,562,371	389
Cincinnati	9,008,000	305
Kansas City	6,953,567	415
New Orleans	6,425,154	389
Buffalo	6,302,019	401
Milwaukee	3,885,316	156
Detroit	4,586,505	470
Louisville	4,254,265	543
Minneapolis	6,806,731	442
Omaha	4,963,722	411
Evansville	3,984,349	370
Cleveland	3,654,482	454
Houston	6,808,719	180
St. Paul	2,996,161	312
Denver	1,774,099	616
Indianapolis	3,492,840	109
Harford	1,357,728	493
Columbus	2,272,000	463
Richmond	1,708,061	347
Washington	1,184,230	499
Duluth	1,757,236	360
Dallas	1,605,558	131
St. Joseph	1,297,237	424
Peoria	1,151,240	284
Memphis	1,476,916	583
Portland, Ore.	1,139,023	543
Rockford	1,100,287	385
New Haven	1,021,049	...
Savannah	2,008,145	298
Worcester, Mass.	304,142	381
Wilmington	862,250	389
Portland, Me.	1,014,131	210
Atlanta	1,017,466	416
Fort Worth	915,044	397
Waco	1,008,141	298
Syracuse	664,781	326
Des Moines	524,214	459
Grand Rapids	802,756	184
Seattle	300,000	700
Lewell	692,361	133
Wilmington, Del.	625,519	384
No. York	1,296,259	110
St. Paul	1,234,560	613
Los Angeles	1,035,000	659
Tampa	510,774	615
Saginaw, Mich.	250,628	413
Spokane	188,190	814
Jacksonville	103,425	457
Lincoln	340,754	384
New Bedford	423,934	83
Wichita	455,191	583
Birmingham	277,141	109
Topoka	397,314	334
Lexington, Ky.	254,211	534
Richmond	251,000	73
Emporia, Kan.	77,725	84
Day City	216,405	...
Valley River	777,004	...
Albion	194,729	...
Springfield, O.	129,211	...
Clinton
St. Louis	125,128	...
Frederick, Neb.	37,394	...
Hastings, Neb.	60,436	...
Chattanooga	122,291	...
Fargo	80,927	...
Nashville	621,441	688
Indianapolis	5,080,108	443
Total U. S.	\$708,870,812	42.8
Exclusive of New York	\$300,315,179	37.9
Exclusion of Canada	\$148,134,004	24
Montreal	\$20,043	3.0
Halifax	\$201,231	0.4
Hamilton	\$62,293	14.5
Total	\$10,080,061	2.5

*Not included in totals.

They Ask for a Guardian.

Police and John King, under the name of King, asked the probate court yesterday to appoint John King guardian of the person of the child of the late Myron King and Cora King, who met such an awful death in the north and early in the week. They left personal property worth \$20 and a piece of land of 100 acres.

Special Traverse Juries.

In accordance with an order issued by Judge Sawyer, of the United States court a few days ago for the drawing of twelve men from Kent county to serve as a special traverse jury in the United States court beginning December 12, to

hear the trial of postponed cases the following names were drawn yesterday: Joseph Miller, Grand Rapids; John Higgins, Grand Rapids; Frank Wood, Michigan; Nelson Kelly, Dutton; Charles Morrow, William, D. Fred; Eli Kahler, W. D. Pugh, Grand Rapids; A. J. Boush, Lowell; T. Elmendorf, Kinney Station; C. E. Herrington, Grand Rapids; William Lester, Oakfield Center.

Court Notes.

Some of the heirs of Anna Clune objected to the order of the probate court appointing Frank McIraw administrator of the estate. They appealed to the circuit court and yesterday the decision of the probate court was affirmed.

A petition was filed yesterday to admit Thomas Horton to the Kalamazoo asylum as a private patient. His father, Frank Worrel, makes the application.

Frank Gill has sued W. S. Guan to eject him from lot 11, block 5, of Shepard's addition to the city. The lot lies on Hovey street in the Ninth ward.

David Schoenfeld is not among the saloon keepers who have not paid their fines for violating the liquor laws. He paid November 10.

Minnie K. Dean was granted a divorce from Henry K. Dean by Judge Adair yesterday.

Sophia H. Buchanan has sued Reuben A. Fuller on an alleged debt of \$200.

Charles Schultz was divorced yesterday from Carrie Schultz.

Circuit Court.

Judge Adair—John H. Cole vs. Nelson Shaw et al., assumpsit; on trial. In the matter of the estate of Anna Clune, appeal from probate; order affirming order of probate court.

Superior Court.

Judge Berlingame—Klaus Vander Wal, admitted to citizenship.

Probate Court.

Estate George A. Kendall, deceased; order allowing executor's first account. In the matter of Theresa Horton, insane; December 2 assigned for hearing application for admission to asylum. Estate Margaret Walsh, deceased; December 26 assigned for hearing petition to mortgage estate. Estate Christopher Post, deceased; December 8 assigned for hearing tardy claims of Frank G. Holmes. In the matter of the estate of Henry Lohman, alleged insane; December 2 assigned for hearing petition for admission to asylum. Estate Hannah A. Cook, deceased; order admitting will to probate; letters testamentary issued to Mattie E. Drew; inventory filed. Estate Emeline C. De Camp, deceased; discharge of administrator issued. Estate Trafton H. Pond, deceased; order for payment of debts.

Police Court.

Judge Haggerty—May Collins, disorderly; sentence deferred to December 2. Louis Barth, rape; hearing in progress.

State News in Brief.

The steamer City of Holland made fifty-three trips the past season from Holland to Chicago and carried over 8,000 passengers. The steamer Saugatuck made seventy trips on the Holland route, and carried 7,000 passengers.

A pine tree cut at one of J. S. Stearns' camps in Lake county measured eight feet four inches across the stump. It was the largest tree ever cut tributary to the Marquette river, and had been a landmark for many years.

Robbers Wednesday night stole about 100 chickens from the henery of H. Holcomb, a farmer living near Grand Haven, but in their hurry to get away lost a pocketbook containing \$75.

A Van Buren circuit court jurymen has jumped into fame by declaring that he wants to "see an old soldier in of the from the White house to the poor house."

Fremont churches held union Thanksgiving services Thursday and a liberal contribution was collected at the close for the upper peninsula sufferers.

A herd of about fifteen deer are wintering in what is commonly known as the "Big Woods," four miles southeast of Petersburg, Monroe county.

The state railroad crossing board has approved the map of the Alpena & Northern railroad, through Alpena and Schoolcraft county.

The city of Muskegon compels all mid-night prowlers, after the hour of 12 o'clock, to give an account of themselves or go to jail.

Sanilac county bankers say that the recent burglaries throughout the county have greatly increased deposits.

Fremont will ship a carload of provisions and clothing to the upper peninsula in a few days.

The Charlotte mills are running night and day and are 1,000 barrels of flour behind their orders.

William Blair, charged with robbing the Memphis postoffice, has been held in \$1,000 bail.

Lansing has voted to buy a 5,000,000 gallon capacity pump for its water works.

Ionia county gets \$7,250.00 as her share of the primary school money this year.

A meeting of the County Teachers' association will be held at Muskegon today.

Dearfield catholic church will be ready for occupancy the first of the year.

George McKay of Dearborn gets sixty days for violating the local option law.

A lady at Dearborn, aged 65 years, knits three pairs of mittens in a day. Marquette county has raised \$60,000 to take care of its poor this winter.

Chicago service via G. R. & I. Solid Trains—Quick Time

To Chicago—Morning train, composed of first class coaches and Wagner Buffet Parlor Car, leaves Grand Rapids at 10:40 a. m. and runs through solid to Chicago, arriving at 4:00 p. m., making all afternoon connections for the west. Night train with through coach and Wagner Sleeping Car leaves daily at 11:20 p. m., arrives Chicago 7:45 a. m.

From Chicago—Solid train leaves Chicago at 4:15 p. m., arrives Grand Rapids 9:50 p. m. Night train leaves daily at 11:40 p. m., arrives Grand Rapids 7:50 a. m. Call telephone 601.

A Surgical Operation. For the cure of Piles is always painful, often dangerous and useless, and invariably expensive; on the other hand there is a new, certain cure, perfectly painless, giving instant relief and permanent cure and costs but a trifle. It is the Pyramid Pile Cure. It is a more certain cure than a surgical operation, without any of the intense pain, expense and danger of an operation. Any druggist will get it for you.

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Prices on this Occasion. Matinee, Sunday, Dec. 3d. PRICES SAME AS NIGHT.

10c, 25c, 50c, 75c, 1.00, 1.25, 1.50, 2.00, 2.50, 3.00, 3.50, 4.00, 4.50, 5.00, 5.50, 6.00, 6.50, 7.00, 7.50, 8.00, 8.50, 9.00, 9.50, 10.00.

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